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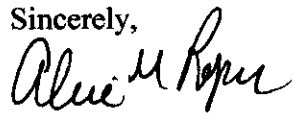
Dear Ms. Dixon,

1... I am writing to express my opposition to the transportation of radioactive waste via rail and truck through the metropolitan St. Louis area.

1 cont. St. Louis is a major hub for various interstate highways. I-70, I-44 and I-64 converge here. In addition, there are various local routes such as I-170 and I-270 which interact with the interstates. There are constant truck accidents on these roadways. It is simply unsafe to transport this deadly material on congested and accident ridden roads through a major metropolitan area.

The railways are probably safer, but still they run through highly populated areas of the greater St. Louis community. I oppose rail transport of these materials here also.

In addition, I do not believe it has been proved that the Yucca Mountain site is safe. Your office seems to be succumbing to pressure from eastern utility companies eager to dump this waste. Do not send it through the highly populated area of St. Louis. It is a tragedy waiting to happen.

Sincerely,  
  
Alice M. Roper, Ph.D.